

**COMMENT OF THE DAY**

**Launch Mystery**

What happened to the missing police launch? Why did the Chinese crew of nine suddenly cast off at Sai Kung between 6.30 and 7 o'clock in the morning and disappear? "They've gone to Communist China", would seem the obvious answer and yet, if this is the only acceptable explanation, it provokes a further question, Why? For surely nine marine policemen enjoying the security of employment, the conditions of work and the small but assured monthly income from the Hongkong Police Force do not throw up such employment to live under the doubtful protection of a Communist state simply for the sheer pleasure of it. Such defections are, of course, not unknown but it is extremely unlikely that all nine police on the one launch could have been of one mind on this decision. Besides Peking or Canton would be quick to announce and capitalise on the fact that nine Hongkong policemen had sought political refuge in Communist China, if that were indeed the case. Another theory is that the policemen were bribed by a smuggling gang to take the launch—it is at any rate a possibility and one that must be considered that some offer was made to a junior policeman to abet with the launch for which he and his companions would be paid a handsome reward far surpassing anything they would receive as policemen if they stayed in the force for, say, five years. This suggestion is appreciated is not an original one. We do not propose it as such, nor as our own, but we discuss it because it appears to be one that is widely favoured in the Colony.

The first observation to be made is that the theory is not very plausible. What would Hongkong smugglers want if they are in fact implicated with a 52-ton tug with a speed of 11 knots? What indeed, when some of their own craft, equipped with Merlin Packard engines, can easily outstrip practically every type of pursuit vessel in Hongkong. As an accessory to any smuggling act in Hongkong waters, unless it was drastically refitted and remodelled, it could be of little service to the smugglers. The Hongkong Marine Police, the Revenue Department and the Royal Navy have possibly been alerted to be on the watch-out for its return to service in a new role. It is possible too that these three services have prepared a system of code signals or passwords in an attempt to trap the missing launch should it try to make a reappearance in the guise of a legitimate police launch in or around Hongkong waters and communicate with our craft by radio. Yet what would this avail the smugglers? Could it be that the tug is worth while for one particular cargo? Or are the smugglers so short of craft that police launches are the only ships left to them?

The discovery of the drowned body of the Police Corporal in charge of the launch with head wounds obviously suggests he was no party to the plot. If the theory of the smugglers' bribe is at all tenable the only possible conclusion that can be drawn is that the launch was wanted to fulfil some particular role or for its engines, its radio, a few other parts including any new equipment and its spare parts. And if this is accepted, another conclusion is permissible that there is a dire shortage of such equipment in China. We would not presume to advance this as the most likely theory. For we have stated it is not very appealing. No other particularly commend theory, however, and to seek further for explanations is an invitation to invade the realm of fantasy where the unbridled imagination can be allowed to roam at will. Such theories we do not permit.

**Full Story Of Yesterday's Fighting**  
**GUATEMALA RISING ENDS**

**Cadets, Army Victorious**  
**LIBERATION FORCES TO BE DISBANDED**

Guatemala City, Aug. 2. The military rising against the "Liberation Army" of the Guatemalan Government of Colonel Castillo Armas has ended after 14 hours' fighting, Guatemala Radio announced.

An army officer was heard broadcasting to the Guatemalan people this evening to say that agreement had been reached between the ruling military junta, headed by Colonel Castillo Armas, and the leaders of the revolt drawn from cadets and officers of the Military Academy in Guatemala City.

The army officer said that the agreement was based on proposals made by the Army but gave no details. He said that the national army promised Guatemalans that peace and order would now be restored, and that the army would remain loyal to the ruling junta.

The announcement described the uprising as "a glorious gesture to restore the good name of the national army."

Other reports said Colonel Castillo Armas had agreed to a demand of the regular army to disband the liberation forces.

The announcement came after earlier reports had said that armed "rebels" seized the main radio station and announced they intended to disband the "liberation forces" of Colonel Castillo Armas, which seized power from ex-President Jacobo Arbenz's left-wing Government a month ago.

The entire Guatemalan regular Army rose up in arms to join the movement launched by Polytechnic (military) School cadets and some regular troops against the Army of Liberation. A radio announcement stressed that the movement was in no way directed against the present Government but merely against the Army of Liberation units quartered at the Roosevelt Hospital.

**HEAVY CASUALTIES**

Casualties were reported to be heavy on both sides.

Fighting between Polytechnic School cadets and Liberation Army units started at dawn when the cadets, backed by some troops, launched an assault on the Roosevelt Hospital, using tanks and heavy guns. The regular Army announcement charged that Army of Liberation soldiers, boasting of having overthrown the pro-Communist Government of President Jacobo Arbenz, had engaged in excesses against regular Army officers and humiliated them to the extreme. American-made P-47 Thunderbolts, obtained by the Army of Liberation from the United States, led the fight against the regular Army this morning. Later, however, regular Army units captured the military air base, including most of the Army of Liberation fighters.

**TANK DESTROYED**

At least one tank was reported destroyed and its crew killed by a direct hit. Medical Corps reports said there were many killed and wounded especially at the Roosevelt Hospital.

Yesterday, the first section of the Army of Liberation, consisting of some 600 soldiers, paraded the streets of the capital with the same improvised equipment and nondescript attire they used in their successful fight to overthrow the Arbenz regime.

The anti-Communist fighters were given a rousing popular ovation and their officers who distinguished themselves in the fight were decorated by Colonel Castillo Armas.

**AROUSING JEALOUSY**

This appeared to have aroused the jealousy of the regular Army and led to today's uprising. The government-controlled Radio Nacional blamed the revolt on "Communists" directed by former officials of the pro-Communist Government.

ment from their diplomatic refuge in the Mexican Embassy.

Radio Nacional charged the Mexican Ambassador, Primo Villa Michel, with extending facilities to the Communist refugees, "taking advantage of his diplomatic immunity". The General Secretary of the Guatemalan Government, Senor Rodrigo Robles Chinchilla, was severely wounded during the nine-hour encounter this morning.

**MEXICO'S DENIAL**

A Mexican foreign ministry spokesman tonight flatly denied reports from foreign sources to the effect that officials of the Mexican embassy in Guatemala had been involved in today's uprising in the Guatemalan capital.

The spokesman drew attention to the firm ruling in Mexico on foreign policy against intervention in the interior affairs of other countries. He stressed that Mexico was observing strict neutrality in her neighbour's country. — Reuters, United Press and France-Press.

**THREE KILLED IN MOROCCO**

Morocco, Aug. 2. Three people were killed in incidents here tonight.

This brought the death toll to ten in disturbances which started yesterday following summary of the return of Mohammed Ben Youssef, exiled ex-Sultan of Morocco. The incident occurred when a security patrol fired on a crowd of 2,000 which had started standing it. Twenty people were injured. — Reuters.

Casablanca, Aug. 3. Bin Khatun M'Bark Ben Isider, the district head of the new Medina Quarter here, was killed by a terrorist last night. The 46-year-old official was shot through the heart. — France-Press.

**Dr John Had No Secret Information**

Baden-Baden, Germany, Aug. 2.

Dr Otto John, former West German security chief, knew no secrets which might endanger the West when he defected to the East Berlin two weeks ago, Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, and his Christian Democratic Union Party declared tonight.

In an emergency meeting of Party leaders tonight, Dr Adenauer and his lieutenants unanimously approved a resolution that the "unfortunate John affair" was just an individual case. "John had no access to secret material which, if revealed, might endanger the security of the West," German Republic leaders said. — Associated Press.

**Head Signs Suez Canal Agreement**



**Portugal Sending Reinforcements: 'Goa To Be Defended'**

Bombay, Aug. 2. The Governor General of Portuguese Goa, General Paulo Bernard Guedes, has told police and army officers that reinforcements from Portugal are on their way to the Colony, the Evening News of India reported today.

Earlier the Press Trust of India had reported that the frontiers separating India from the Portuguese colony had been sealed off and placed on a "war footing."

The Canacona (Goa) correspondent of the Evening News quoted General Guedes as saying that he had instructions from Lisbon "to defend this territory and other Portuguese settlements with every means at our disposal." He added: "We will do so."

Steps would be taken to ensure that the three settlements—Goa, Diu and Daman—"will remain forever Portuguese." He said he had recommended steps for strengthening their defences. The report said it was understood that the police and armed forces on the Goa-Karwar border had been doubled.

The Press Trust of India reported said ferry services over rivers bordering Goa had been suspended. The police had been strengthened on the northeast border to prevent an influx of Goans now living in India on August 15, Indian Independence Day, it said.

**SELVASSA CAPTURED**  
The "Goan volunteers" who favoured union with India today claimed to have captured Selvassa, the administrative headquarters of the enclave of Nagar Havelli, where fighting was reported yesterday.

The enclave is part of the territory of Daman but is separated from the sea by 10 miles of Indian soil.

The report said that the occupation of the headquarters came at 11 a.m. local time. "Volunteers" of the Azad Goa Congress took part in the capture.

**Colombo May Not Join SEATO**

Colombo, Aug. 2.

Ceylon will follow India's lead in refusing to join any anti-Communist pact with Asia, British Overseas Secretary, Anthony Eden, had sounded out both India and Ceylon on taking part in SEATO talks.

The Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, turned down the invitation, these sources said, and the reaction of the Ceylonese Prime Minister, Mr. John Kotelawala, was to consider calling another meeting of the Colombo Powers to prevent the formation of SEATO. — Associated Press.

British troops will begin evacuating the Suez Canal Zone in the early autumn under an agreement approved in Cairo by representatives of the British and Egyptian Governments. About 45,000 soldiers and airmen, two thirds of the British force in the Zone, will be returning home. The settlement follows two days of talks in which the British delegation was led by Mr. Head, Secretary for War, and the Egyptian by Lt. Col. Nasser, Prime Minister. Photo shows Mr. Anthony Head, British War Minister, signing the agreement, as Colonel Nasser, Premier of Egypt (right), smiles contentedly. — Picture by Radio. — London Express.

**Big Shark Seen In Repulse Bay**

Dr N. E. Pitts, of 3 Carnarvon Road, and three friends, who were in a small rowing boat about 500 yards from the shore at Repulse Bay about 5 p.m. yesterday saw what they described as a large shark.

The fin, said Dr Pitts, was about two feet high out of the water. The shark circled their boat within an arm's length and made off at the approach of a motor boat.

**Dick Haymes To Be Deported**

Hollywood, Aug. 2.

Crooner Dick Haymes was ordered to be deported to Argentina today by the Immigration Service special inquiry officer, Ralph Firth, on the grounds that he is an alien ineligible for citizenship.

Mr. Firth upheld the Government's claim that Haymes, husband of film star Rita Hayworth, should be deported. He said Haymes was not eligible for citizenship after he had claimed draft exemption as an alien.

Attorneys for the crooner, who had the case reopened, said Haymes was not ineligible for citizenship after he had claimed draft exemption as an alien.

Haymes made the trip to Hawaii in June 1953 to press his courtship of the red-haired film star, whom he subsequently married in Las Vegas, Nevada. — United Press.

**Communist Truce Inspectors Moved To Safety**  
**Fears Of Further Attacks**  
**By South Korean Terrorists**

Seoul, Aug. 2.

Worried American security officers tonight moved Communist truce inspectors, who were shot at on Saturday, into a heavily guarded United States Army compound today to protect them from anti-Communist attack.

The move reflected the apparent deep concern felt by the American authorities that recent demonstrations and acts of violence against the Poles and Czechs by South Koreans might increase.

Czech and Polish neutral inspectors—who now have the official South Korean word that they are not welcome—and their counterparts from Switzerland and Sweden abandoned their billets on a crowded Pusan hillside and moved into the U.S. Army's Hialeah compound on the north outskirts of the crowded port city.

The move just preceded a broadcast from North Korea in which Communist officials declared that the United States would be held responsible for any "provocative" action by the South Koreans.

In their new compound, a former Japanese race track, the inspectors are hidden in a U.S. living area occupied by American officers and civilians employed by United Nations relief organization.

Earlier in the day, the inspectors, flanked by a group of American guards, had moved cautiously to the dock area.

**SILENT ACTION**  
American officers are battling with firm actions and silence an apparent South Korean attempt to create tension in South Korea, and halt America into a remembrance of the armistice agreement.

The ROK Government, in a manoeuvre obviously aimed at stirring up trouble with the Communists, has allowed terrorism to break out against neutral inspection teams.

President Syngman Rhee's Provost Marshal, General Wong Yong Duk, has ordered the Polish and Czech truce inspectors to leave the country or face "inevitable and automatic measures."

The "automatic measures" have started.

**BEER CAN BOMBS**  
Three crudely-made bombs fashioned from beer cans were hurled into a West Coast compound, where neutral nation truce inspectors live and two bullets were fired at Czech officers in Pusan.

The pickets carried placards declaring "South Korea is a police state." "Rhee wants atomic war." "Send Rhee home."

The pickets chanted, "Rhee is unbecome—we want peace." Identity of the demonstrators was not immediately learned. Police refused to allow reporters to talk with them until the dinner guests had arrived. Most guests, seeing the demonstration at the Lexington Avenue entrance, drove around to another entrance to the hotel. — United Press.

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The Duke of Edinburgh, wearing the battledress uniform of Marshal of the Royal Air Force, steps down from a Vickers Valiant bomber—one of Britain's latest 'atom' bombers—during his visit to the RAF Station at Wittering, Northamptonshire. The Duke, who flew his own Devon aircraft to the station from Hendon, sat in the pilot's seat of the Valiant and discussed the plane with its captain, Squadron Leader Roberts, of Hoylake, Cheshire.—Reuterphoto.

Central Government  
Criticised

Taipei, Aug. 2.

A violent barrage of severe and bitter criticism was unleashed against provincial and central governments in the last session of the Provincial Assembly by Lee Man-ku, one of the prominent Taiwanese and owner of the independent daily, Kung Lung Daily News.

The publisher, who is a member of the Provincial Assembly and famed in Taiwan for his outstanding opposition to the government, took advantage of a period of interpellation of the Taiwan Governor, Mr. C. K. Yen, to present to the Assembly and the Governor a long list of protests and complaints.

Denouncing corruption and graft in government offices, the Kung Lung Pao publisher asked for the punishment of the culprits and requested the government to give more freedom to the press, more protection to human rights and the lifting of martial law.

Denouncing what he called "military men's meddling with

political affairs," he also pointed out the simplification of security system, which, he said, hampers the free functioning of the political institutions of the province. Lee also charged the Kuomintang with interference of the elections.

In his answer to the charges, Governor C. K. Yen said human rights are protected, but the "circumstances are against the lifting of martial law." Carried away by his temper, the Governor went so far as to say that "government personnel policy in Taiwan is based on talent and not on party affiliations," which brought roaring laughter.—France-Press.

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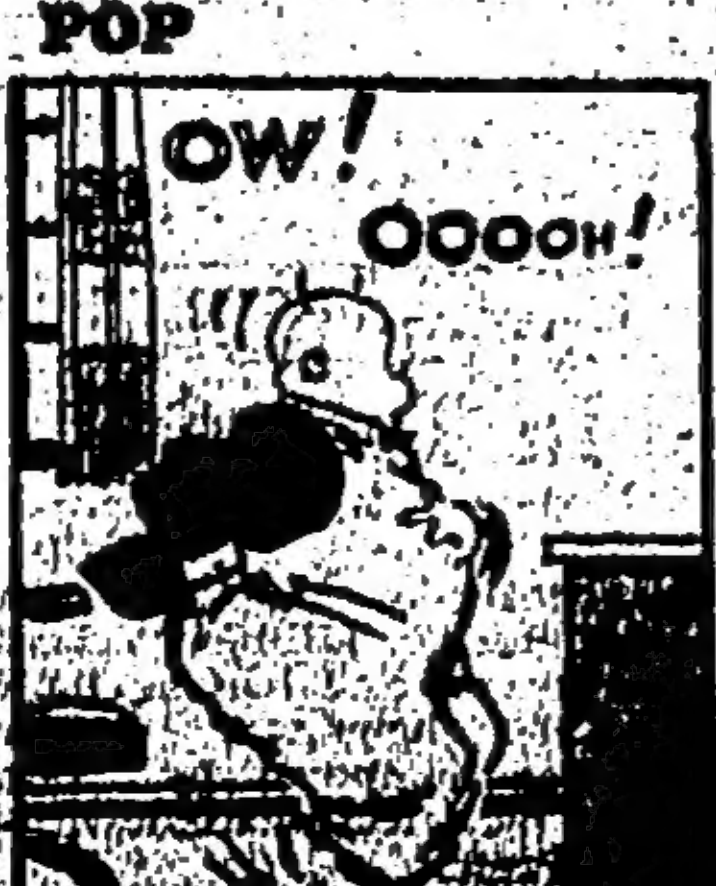
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## RHEE IN TEARS

New York's  
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Welcome

New York, Aug. 2.

South Korean President Syngman Rhee, shaken with emotion after a rousing greeting by 150,000 New Yorkers, warned today that "war must come sooner than later because we know the later it comes the more terrible it will be."

His voice broke, his facial muscles contracted and tears came to his eyes as he addressed a throng gathered in City Hall Plaza where Mayor Robert Wagner presented him with New York City's Medal of Honour and its scroll for distinguished and exceptional service.

Rhee departed from his prepared address to deliver his warning about war. American and other free nations, he said, must act now in order to avert catastrophe.

"The only difference between himself and President Eisenhower, he said, was on the point of fighting a third world war now or later.

"That is the only difference between your President and me," Rhee said. "But we understand the desire of your President to save the world from terrible destruction."

## CLIMAX

Rhee's address climaxed a cheering welcome by New Yorkers.

The Police estimated that 150,000 persons linked lower Broadway on the parade route to the City Hall and cheered him as he rode through a flurry of ticker-tape and confetti thrown from tall buildings.

When Rhee spoke, an estimated 25,000 persons were in the City Hall Plaza.

The motorcade honouring the South Korean President started the ceremonial drive at noon as a light rain began, but the weather did not drive any of the spectators away nor lessen the heartiness of the welcome. The mist cleared in a few minutes.

At the City Hall, massed bands hailed Rhee's arrival. He received the salute of the city's honour guard while Mrs Rhee, dressed in the traditional Korean dress—the Chogori—China with a white eridid—casual—tenderly brushed bits of confetti from the President's hair.

## VAN FLEET

Rhee paid tribute to General James A. Van Fleet, whom he called "the father of the Korean Army," and asked that the former 8th Army Commander return to Korea to train more soldiers.

He said the Koreans troops trained by Van Fleet represented "the strongest anti-Communist force in the Far East today."

The 78-year-old President told the throng that he had learned during the parade that the son of the chief of the New York motorcycle police had been killed in Korea two years ago today.

"This is the spirit in which your boys and our boys gave their lives," he said.

"We are willing to fight for our liberty just as you people have fought for yours on many occasions in your history. We,

as you, know that freedom is dearer than life itself.

"Let our two peoples stand solidly together and so long as we do, there is hope for the future."

Rhee acknowledged his obvious high state of emotion with the remark, "It is almost impossible for my cold blood not to be emotional."

His voice trembled as he said with heavy emphasis, "I do believe that we will all live to see the dawning of a new day of hope and security. God bless you—God bless the cause for which together we stand."

Rhee said Eisenhower was "working night and day" to avert an H-bomb or A-bomb catastrophe which could destroy half of civilization and humanity.

GREAT ANTI-COMMUNIST

With him on the speaker's platform were Korean Ambassador You Chan Yang, U.S. Ambassador to Korea Ellis O. Briggs, Korean Ambassador to the U.N. Ben C. Limb and U.S. Ambassador and Chief of Protocol John F. Stimmans.

Van Fleet spoke briefly before Rhee and said the South Korean President was a great anti-Communist world leader.

Van Fleet said that Rhee with tears in his eyes would "tell me I do not like to see your boys come to fight in Korea. Tell your Government not to send them but send us guns and we will do the fighting and bleeding and sacrificing."

Van Fleet said, "He loved us and in turn we loved him."

United Press.

"GO SOUTH"  
APPEAL

Hanoi, Aug. 2.

South Vietnam Premier Ngo Dinh Diem told a gathering of his fellow countrymen today to "go south" into Southern Vietnam to continue the fight for national independence and unity. Ngo Dinh Diem was addressing a gathering of some 1,200 in front of the presidency here. He said that each of them would find ways in Vietnam to use their energy in the service of the country.

Pennants would work the soil, said Ngo Dinh Diem, and factory workers would be enlisted. Soldiers, he added, would swell the ranks of the national army which must be ready to defend the unity of the country.—France-Press.

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# Bey Of Tunis Calls For End Of Violence

RED ATOM GUNS

## Slovakian Villages Evacuated

Munich, Aug. 2. Communist Czech authorities have evacuated four entire villages in Eastern Slovakia reportedly to make room for a Czech Army atomic artillery regiment, Radio Free Europe said today.

"A total of 4,000 persons from the villages of Labetke Kopele, Ruskinovec, Dvorce and Majerka in the Kozmarok District were evacuated recently with little more than 24 hours' notice in most cases," the anti-Communist organization said. "Some who resisted had their houses broken into by the Red authorities and watched as their furniture and other possessions were removed. All the deportees were resettled in four other Slovakian villages."

### TESTING

Radio Free Europe said that the evacuation was ostensibly for an anti-aircraft training site "but there is reason to believe the site actually is a training area for a Czech Army atomic artillery regiment." The reasons were described as "of various calluses." Testing took place "in the European part of the Soviet Union."

Persistent but "unconfirmed" reports have circulated in the last few months that the Russians had given the Communist Czechs a number of the atomic cannon.

They reportedly are stationed in the area bordering on West Germany.

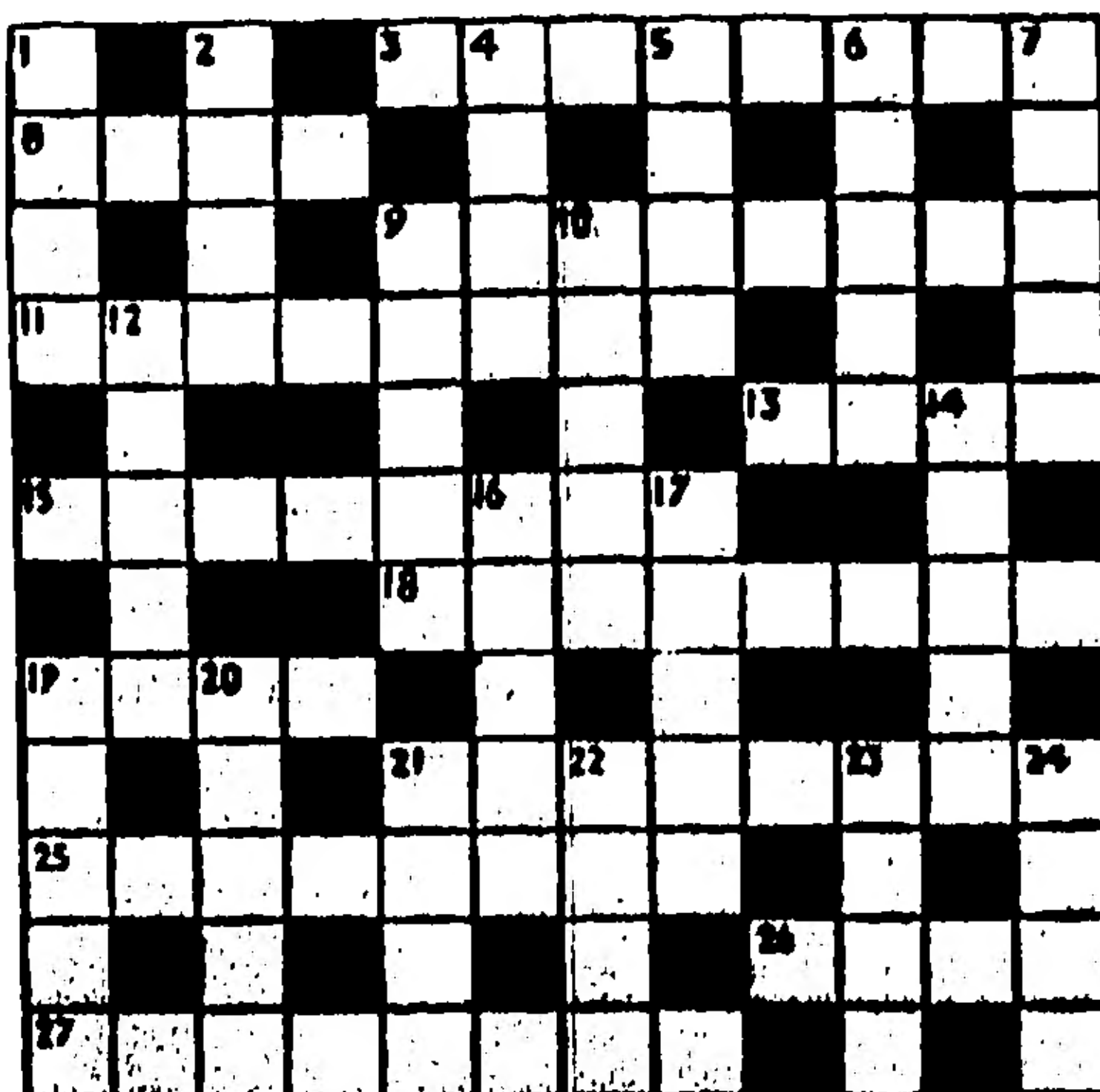
### U.S. UNITS

The U.S. Army in Germany recently doubled the number of its 280 mm atomic artillery with the addition of three new battalions. Five battalions, of six giant guns each, are at present stationed in West Germany. The guns, which can also fire conventional shells, have a published range of "about 20 miles" and are highly mobile when attached to twin truck-trailers—one hooked to each end of the 64-foot long carriages—United Press.

## JAPS APPROVED

Geneva, Aug. 2. The 15-nation International Committee of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade today recommended that Japan be allowed to enter into multi-lateral tariff negotiations with a view to acceding to the GATT. This recommendation will go to the full session of the 34 contracting parties to the GATT, opening in Geneva in late October.—Reuter.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



### ACROSS

- 3 Uninstructed (8).
- 8 Victim (4).
- 9 Choosing by vote (8).
- 11 "Soft" drink (8).
- 12 Repose (4).
- 13 Wealth (6).
- 14 Withdrawal (8).
- 15 Confidante (4).
- 21 Tower (8).
- 22 Inclined (8).
- 23 Lake (4).
- 27 Determined (8).

### DOWN

- 1 Pretious stone (4).
- 2 Expression (4).
- 4 Festive occasion (4).
- 5 Formerly (8).
- 6 Spry (5).
- 7 Taint (5).
- 9 Come in (5).
- 10 Proclamation (6).
- 11 Eject (6).
- 12 Surrender (5).
- 13 Hot drink (5).
- 14 Went wrong (5).
- 15 Tree (6).
- 20 Centenary (5).
- 21 Hard work (4).
- 22 Girdle (4).
- 23 Porten (4).
- 24 Uniform (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: 1. Tilt, 4. Tava, 5. Eject, 8. Victim, 9. Choosing, 10. Repose, 11. Wealth, 12. Withdrawal, 13. Confidante, 14. Tower, 15. Inclined, 16. Lake, 17. Determined, 18. Pretious, 19. Expression, 20. Festive, 21. Formerly, 22. Spry, 23. Taint, 24. Come in, 25. Proclamation, 26. Eject, 27. Surrender, 28. Hot drink, 29. Went wrong, 30. Tree, 31. Centenary, 32. Hard work, 33. Girdle, 34. Porten, 35. Uniform.

Tunis, Aug. 2. The Bey of Tunis urged his people tonight to end the present violence.

Sidi Mohammed El Amin, the 73-year-old Bey of Tunis, who may lose much of his own feudalistic power in Tunisia's new deal—the formation of an all-Tunisian Government—called upon the 3,000,000 Arabs of the French colony to end their campaign of violence.

"A new phase has just dawned in the history of our beloved nation," he declared in a statement hailing the offer made by the French Premier, M. Mendes-France.

"The Government of the French Republic in a gesture which will be honoured in history, has not hesitated to recognise your political maturity and the legitimacy of your aspirations," he said. The Bey gave a prompt response to M. Mendes-France who gambled his political life against the fire of powerful French interests by flying here on Saturday to outline his programme for Tunisian autonomy to the Moslem ruler.

### SOLEMN HOMAGE

"The solemn homage which we think we should render to the illustrious statesman who presides over the destinies of France with a realism worthy of admiration will have the deepest echo in your consciences, we are persuaded," he said. In the face of this decisive moment of our national life, we would be at the height of our destiny in offering to the world the spectacle of a people united in the serene march towards progress, working in peace and harmony with all the elements of our kingdom, for the building of a better tomorrow.

"This great constructive effort which we entrust to you can only be fruitful in order, peace and security, to which all the inhabitants of this country have a right."

"We have no need to insist on our will to condemn all manifestations of violence, for all acts of this kind must be considered as a serious blow to the superior interest of our kingdom."

### DEEPLY PONDERED

"We do not doubt that this appeal will be heard and deeply pondered by all, and that it will bring about the return of normal activities in the country and contribute to the tightening of the ties of that long France-Tunisian friendship which has permitted Tunisia to make such fine steps on the way of progress."

For the second straight day—since M. Mendes-France's visit—there was no report of a politically-motivated attack anywhere in the protectorate which had counted 310 casualties in

four months of nationalist provoked terror.

A Tunisian postman was shot and severely wounded in the Arab quarter at Sousse but the police said that the assault was not concerned with Tunisia's bid for more autonomy.

Tahar Ben Ammar was born in Tunis in November, 1905. He studied at the Carnot Lycee and then devoted himself to Tunisian agriculture, applying modern methods which led to great financial profit.

Shortly before World War I he made his appearance in Tunisian public life when he participated in the consultative conference.

### COUNCIL MEMBER

He was a member of the Grand Council of Tunis from 1922 to 1951, and has been Chairman of the Tunisian Chamber of Agriculture since 1928. He was one of the leading members of the Advisory Commission of 1947 leading Tunisians established in August 1952 to steer the Bey's relations with France in that touchy period.

Since then, he has refused all public jobs although he has lent his name to several Tunisian nationalist appeals for greater home rule.

Last week he was in Paris consulting with Christian Fouchet, French Minister for Tunisian and Moroccan Affairs who came to Tunis with M. Mendes-France and remained for consultations with the Bey, the Premier-designate and other Tunisians.

### NO STATEMENT

Ben Amar refused to make any statement when he left the Bey's Palace. He scorned the usual pomp attached to a visit by a Premier to the Bey and his car did not even fly the Tunisian pennant.

Official circles said the government Ben Amar would form would not be homogeneous. Three important departments—Finance, Public Works and Agriculture—will continue to be held by Frenchmen. The Post Office Department will be administered by a Frenchman.

The French Minister of Tunisian and Moroccan Affairs, Christian Fouchet, delayed his return to Paris for a visit to the Bey's Palace to work out ways of opening negotiations for this agreement. M. Fouchet is scheduled to return to Paris tomorrow afternoon.

Ben Amar late this afternoon indicated to correspondents that he would probably need three or four days to form a Cabinet.

Meanwhile, a Neo-Destour leader, Mongi Slim, arrived in Paris from Tunis for a visit to his exiled chief, Habib Bourguiba, now living at Amilly, South of Paris.—United Press.

## Strike Threat

Seoul, Aug. 2.

A spokesman for the Korean communication zone said the South Korean Port Checkers Union employed by the United States Army at Pusan today submitted that Union members would go on strike from August 6 if the conditions were not accepted by midnight, August 5.

The spokesman said the two conditions were:

1. An increase of hourly basic pay from the current 27 Hyon to 30 Hyon (about 3 shillings at the official exchange rate) and suspension of dismissal of checkers without union representatives approval.
2. The United States labour authorities should abide by South Korean labour regulations.

An army source said union representatives, and United States army authorities would negotiate for a settlement of the labour dispute.



This was the scene at the Palais des Nations as the Truce Agreement on Indo-China was signed by the military representatives of France, Vietnam and Cambodia. This picture shows: Ta Quang Bau (Vietnam Defence Minister) on right, signing the cease-fire treaty. Looking on are General Nhiek Tioulong (Cambodian Defence Minister) on left, and Monsieur Jean Paul Boncour (A Secretary General of the Conference), standing. — Express Photo.

## Moslems Pouring Into Jeddah For Pilgrimage

Jeddah, Aug. 3.

Thousands of Moslems are pouring into Saudi Arabia by air, land and sea to perform the sacred pilgrimage, to the holy places of Islam in Mecca and its neighbourhood.

To perform this pilgrimage is the dream of all devout Moslems. But the countries north, south and east of Saudi Arabia, in which Islam holds sway, are by no means rich, and only a proportion of those who would wish to tread in the footsteps of the Prophet Mohammed manage to do so.

To the wealthy Moslem, the pilgrimage is easy. He pays an air fare or a ship passage, performs his religious duties and then quickly escapes from the intense heat of Saudi Arabia.

Many who are on this pilgrimage this year, however, have saved money for a lifetime to come here.

In days gone by, the pilgrims travelled to Mecca by camel, donkey or on foot. Special pilgrimage boats come from the Far East and until a system of medical supervision was exercised, too many of the women pilgrims aboard gave birth to children in the discomforts below deck.

Before the discovery of oil under the desert sands of Saudi Arabia, the pilgrimage was the country's biggest single source of revenue.

It still is a considerable money-taker and the pilgrims pay in gold their dues in Saudi Arabia.

**BIGGEST CONTINGENT**  
Egypt always provides one of the biggest contingents of pilgrims. This year the number is 20,550.

Referred to in Moslem law as one of the "five pillars" of Islam, the Hajj is a religious duty binding on every Moslem, man and woman, "a sacred service due to God from those who are able to journey thither."

At Mecca, age-old rituals, some of them dating back to pre-Islamic times and symbolising ancient legends, are performed by every pilgrim to fulfil the law of Allah and gain his own salvation.

Most pilgrims require assistance of a native guide to show them round the numerous holy places, and instruct them in the necessary ritual and recitation of the prescribed sacred formulae.

Mecca is a forbidden city to the "unbeliever." Few Europeans have ever succeeded in witnessing the religious fervour, experienced by the faithful, coming from a multitude of tongues, but united in one faith of submission (or Islam) to one God (Allah).

**LITTLE PILGRIMAGE**  
The first set of ceremonies performed by the pilgrims is known as the "Umrah," or "little pilgrimage," to the sanctuaries of Mecca. This consists mainly of four ceremonies.

Before entering the "sacred territory" of Mecca, the pilgrims must assume the state of "Ihram," or holiness, abstaining thereafter from worldly affairs and devoting themselves entirely to religious duties. They discard

their clothes and cover themselves with a one-piece, seamless white garment like that which Gandhi wore. They then go to the "Tawaf," or circuit of Kaaba, a meteor or sacred stone "blessed with kisses of the faithful."

When passing the eastern corner, they must kiss the stone. **NEXT CEREMONY**  
It is said that if the crowd is so great that they cannot touch it, they must touch it with their hands or with a stick or merely look towards it.

## Territorial Service

Salisbury, S. Rhodesia, Aug. 2.

Territorial soldiers in the Central African Federation will in future do a continuous period of four and a half months' training in their first year of service.

They will be liable for training for four years and in the second and subsequent years they will have to do 40 hours' training plus a continuous period of two weeks.

These provisions are contained in a Defence (Training) Bill presented to the Federal Assembly today by the Minister of Defence, Sir Godfrey Huggins.

Men will be subject to call up for territorial training between the ages of 18 and 30 and will have to register for training on reaching the age of 17.

The Bill is designed to transfer control of military forces in the three territories to the Federal Government. It makes provision for getting up a peacetime territorial force in Nyasaland, where no such force at present exists.—China Mail Special.

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The next ceremony is "Sa'i," or running between Safa and Marwah, two sacred hills in the vicinity of the great mosque of Mecca. Starting from Safa, the pilgrims run seven times between the two sanctuaries in a prescribed manner.

On the 8th day of the sacred month of Dhul Hijjah (a last month of the Arabic year), "Hajj" proper begins. Then pilgrims leave for Mount Arafat, which can be reached in about four hours by camel. They stay or stand at the plain of Arafat for the prescribed time, from just after midday until a little after sunset.

After sunset begins the running from Arafat to Muzdalifah, which, according to ancient custom, they must do "with great haste and noise."

Later they drink from the well of Zam Zam which, tradition has it, is the spring which God provided in the parched desert so that Hagar could save her son Ishmael, from whom the Arabs claim descent.

**GREAT SACRIFICE**  
In the morning, the pilgrims continue their journey to Mina where a great sacrifice is offered. This is known as the "day of slaughtering" and is celebrated on the 10th day of the month. Each pilgrim slaughters a ram, and throughout the Moslem world all who can afford it sacrifice sheep, of which the greater part is given to the poor.

The sacrifice is preceded by the "stoning of the Devil," a ceremony consisting of throwing seven pebbles on to a heap close to the mountain road. Moslem legend has it that this ceremony has been performed since the time of Abraham—or Ibrahim, as Moslems call him—because the Devil tried to seduce him on this spot. Before he throws each of the seven pebbles, the pilgrim must say: "In the name of God, Allah is Almighty,"—Reuter.

## New Era Dawns In The North Of Australia

Sydney, Aug. 2.

Australia's remote, undeveloped, Northern Territory is entering a new era of progress, according to Paul Hasluck, Minister for Territories.

Reviewing the government's achievements during the last four years in Australia's bid to open up this potentially valuable area, he pointed to: The discovery and exploitation of valuable uranium deposits; the opening of new areas for grazing; renewed interest in oil prospecting; improved roads and stock routes for cattle.

Mr Hasluck said improvements in agriculture and exploitation of the area's immense mineral deposits were progressing side by side. Commenting on the discovery of uranium in many parts of the Northern Territory, he said: "The ultimate effect on the Territory's economy and population of this new activity cannot yet be determined, but it will be substantial. The general stimulus to mining resulting from the uranium discoveries will increase activity with other minerals such as gold, copper and tin."

And the figure is expected to increase sharply.

The nationwide interest in oil prospecting following the discovery of a promising field in Northwest Australia also has brought fresh hope to the Territory.

Mr Hasluck said: "Marked interest is being shown in the search for oil in the Territory."

—United Press.

## EGYPT WILL HELP ARABS

Paris, Aug. 2.

Lieutenant Colonel Gamal Abdel Nasser, the Egyptian Prime Minister, told the Cairo correspondent of the Paris newspaper Le Monde today that "we are going to help all the Arab and Moslem states to fulfil their aspirations now that the Suez Canal problem has been settled."

"Our knowledge of the record of your Prime Minister and his principal colleagues gives me very great hopes that tension in North Africa can be ended in a friendly manner very soon," he said.

Colonel Nasser said that Egypt regarded itself as directly concerned with all Arab and Moslem problems.

"Make sure that Paris knows the eyes of the entire Arab world are fixed on M. Mendes-France," he said. "I am sure his Government will meet their difficult task with courage and firmness," Colonel Nasser said.—Reuter.

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## GEORGE EMMETT HITS THE FASTEST CENTURY OF THE SEASON

London, Aug. 2.

George Emmett, the Gloucestershire opening bat, hit the fastest century of the season in taking a hundred off the Somerset bowlers in 84 minutes at Taunton today.

He reached 50 in 40 minutes and 75 in 70 minutes, and altogether hit 14 fours in his first hundred runs. He bettered Denis Compton's time in his innings against Worcestershire last week by five minutes.

Thus the 42-year-old Emmett heads the fast scorers' list for the second time this season. Earlier in the summer he shared

the lead with Desmond Barrick of Northamptonshire after hitting a century off the Sussex attack in 99 minutes.

Moss, with the new ball, sent seven wickets crashing for 18 runs. Warr clean bowled five men at a personal cost of five runs. Sussex were all out, 25 runs short.

### THE RESULTS

Results of cricket matches played today:

Oval: Surrey beat Nottinghamshire by 10 wickets. Nottinghamshire 73 (Alec Bedser 6 for 32) and 113 (Lander 5 for 47); Surrey 108 (Doeland 5 for 43) and 21 for no wicket.

At Lord's: Canadian Touring Team won the two-day match against the MCC by 13 runs. Nottinghamshire 319 for nine declared (Bill Voce 5 for 73) and 113 for four declared; MCC 208 for six declared and 211.

At Hove: Middlesex 271 and 59 for three; Sussex 246 (Sheppard 106, Duggart 61, Warr, right-arm fast medium, five for 21).

At Taunton: Gloucestershire 186 and 354 for six (Emmett 172, Tom Graves 107); Somerset 254 (Lawrence 107 out 77).

At Manchester: Yorkshire 248; Lancashire 73 (Wardle left-arm slow, nine for 25) and 17 for no wicket. Start delayed to 16.15 BST because of unfit wicket.

At Northampton: Northamptonshire 368 for nine declared; Leicestershire 193 for nine (Jackson 63). Rain restricted play.

At Canterbury: Kent 220 and 130 for three (Pacey 53); Hampshire 172 (Wright, right arm medium leg break, four for 48).

At Birmingham: Warwickshire 106 and 41 for one; Derbyshire 158 (Carr 62, King, left arm slow, four for 35). Start delayed to 16.15 because of unfit wicket.

At Worcester: Worcestershire 205 and 60 for one; Essex 218 (Vigar 65). Start delayed until after lunch because of rain.

At Taunton: Gloucestershire 186 and 354 for six (Emmett 172, Tom Graves 107); Somerset 254 (Lawrence 107 out 77).

## WHITE CITY HORSE SHOW



Taking the jump is "Halla", ridden by H. G. Winkler of Germany, during the preliminary qualifying competition for the King George V Gold Challenge Cup at the White City, London. — Express Photo.

## Czech Pretends To Be Hungarian Soccer Star, Trips Over Shoelaces

Lille, France, Aug. 2.

The loudspeakers in Lille's crowded soccer stadium boomed a demand for silence yesterday. There was to be, the announcer said, a most important change in the line-up.

Jozsef Zakarias, star left half-back of Communist Hungary's championship "Red Flag" soccer team, had chosen freedom and was about to make his first appearance as a free man and a member of Lille's team.

The crowd gave the refugee a standing ovation as he trotted onto the field.

Then, for 30 agonising minutes, they watched what may well go down in football history in France.

The new player tripped over his own shoelaces within seconds of the opening of play. Then he kicked the ball the wrong way.

"Nervous—too excited," the crowd assured each other.

When the ball was passed to him, Zakarias ducked. He repeatedly fouled other players. And again and again he tripped and fell over his flapping shoelaces.

### TRUTH DAWNED

The truth began to dawn. The Lille coach ordered his "star" to the showers.

President Louis Hennu of the Lille Olympic Sporting Club called the gendarmes. Under questioning by the Police, "Zakarias" confessed he

was not a Hungarian but a 40-year-old Czechoslovak.

He also admitted that he never had been on a soccer field before he stepped out before the cheering crowd in the Lille Stadium.

The crowd and the Police already had figured that out for themselves.

What they still can't figure out is what prompted him to attempt the deception in the first place. —United Press.

## Braves' 10-Game Winning Streak Snapped

Brooklyn, Aug. 2.

Billy Cox's sacrifice fly scored Duke Snider from third base in the 13th inning today to give the Brooklyn Dodgers a 2-1 victory over Milwaukee in a game that snapped the Braves' 10-game winning streak.

The win also broke Brooklyn's four-game losing streak and pulled them to within five games of the League-leading New York Giants, who were idle today.

Dave Jolly, who was relieved in the 11th inning, was the losing pitcher. After retiring the first Brooklyn batter in the 13th, Jolly gave up a single to Snider and another to Hodges, which moved Snider to third. Sandy Amoros was intentionally walked and Cox, after taking two strikes, flied to Henry Aaron in deep left to deliver the winning run.

### TIGHT PITCHING

After watching the Braves maul their pitching for 38 runs and 51 hits in the three previous games in this series, the Dodgers finally received tight pitching from Billy Loes, Jimmy Hughes, and Pete Wojey, who gained credit for his first Major League victory.

Loes blanked the Braves for 8½ innings before Andy Pafko beat out a slow infield dribbler to third baseman Cox. Johnny Logan followed with a single that sent Pafko to second and Loes was lifted in favour of Hughes. Del Crandall tagged Hughes for a single that scored Pafko with the run that tied the score at 1-1 and sent the game into overtime.

Loes had driven in the only Brooklyn run up to that point. In the second inning, after Amoros and Jackie Robinson signed off Braves' starter Jim Wilson, Loes singled a right to score Amoros.

The Dodgers tied a 14-year-old National League record when they left 20 men on base. The Pittsburgh Pirates of 1931 also stranded 20 runners in a 13-inning game.

It was the only daytime game today.

The scores were:

### National League

	R	H	E
Milwaukee	1	12	0
Brooklyn	2	12	1

(13 innings) —United Press.

## Bobby Locke Wins German Open Tourney

Krefeld, West Germany, Aug. 2.

Bobby Locke of South Africa today won the German Open Golf Championship here, beating Britain's Dai Rees after a replay.

Rees and Locke had tied yesterday with aggregates of 279 and an 18 holes replay today was arranged. Each went around in 69 to tie again and it was agreed to play another nine holes and then Locke held a putt off about 20 yards on the 9th green to win.

Playing to the 27th hole the players were still level, but the fine putt by Locke gave him a score of 37 to the 38 of Rees and he won the South African title. Rees recently won the Belgian Open and he shared with Locke and Sid Scott second place in this year's British Open. —Reuter.

## Marciano-Charles Fight On Sept. 15

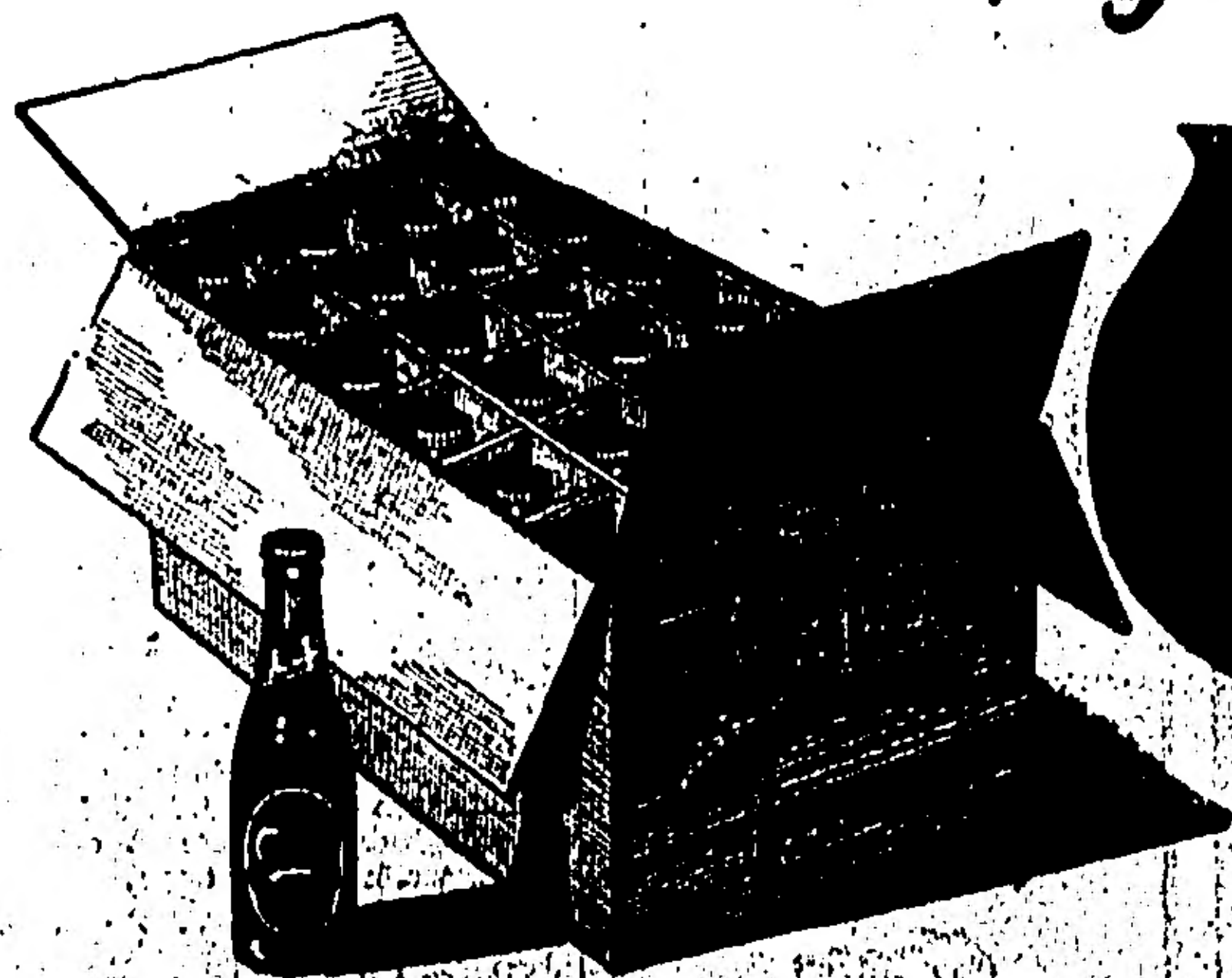
New York, Aug. 2.

The World Heavyweight Boxing Champion, Rocky Marciano, will defend his title against Ezzard Charles on September 15 at New York's Yankee Stadium, it was announced here today. —France-Press.

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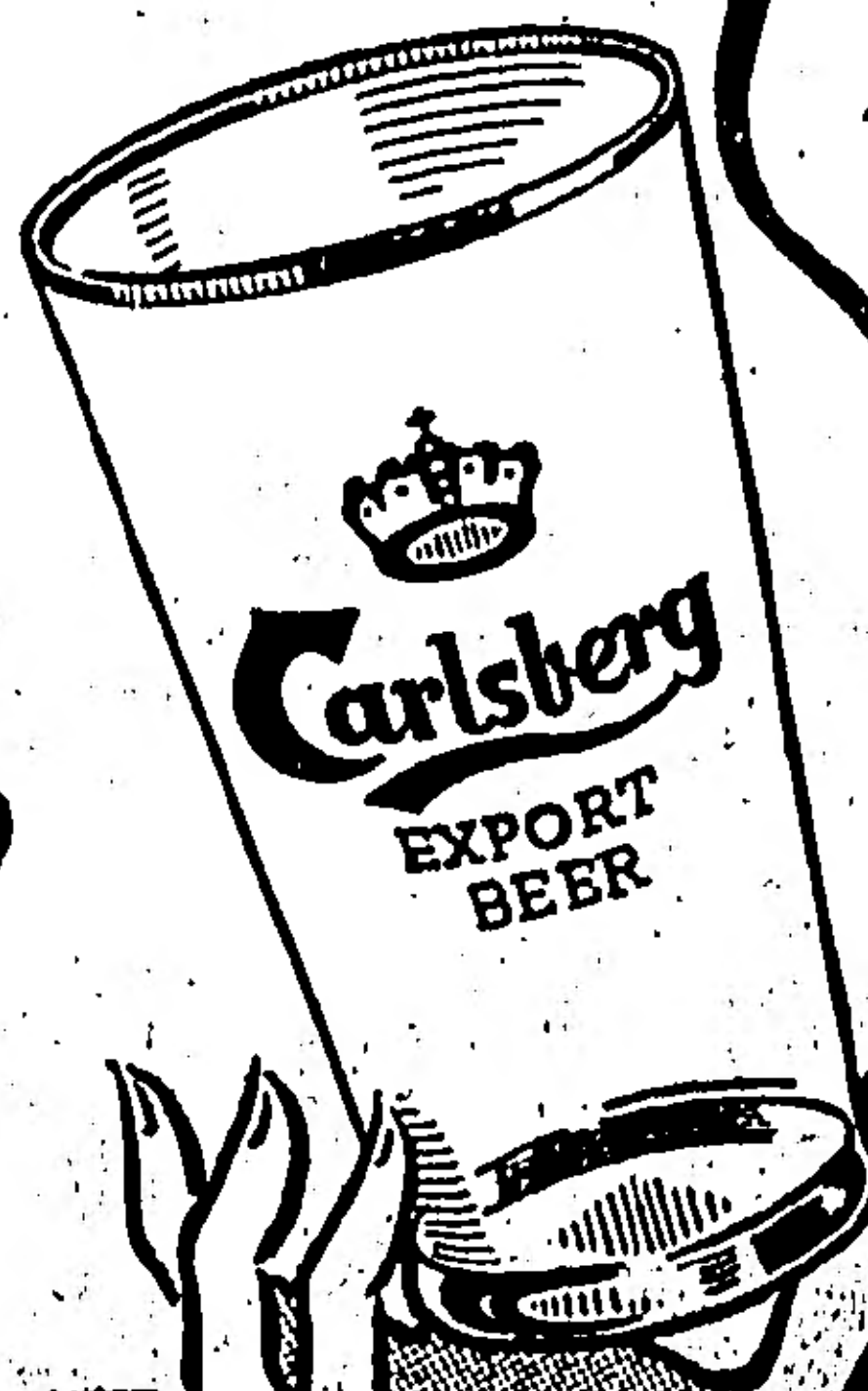
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## Enough Wheat To Fill Every Living-Room

New York, Aug. 2.

A group of big circus-like tents have been put  
up near Fort Worth, Texas. They will contain not  
clowns and acrobats but 8,000,000 bushels of grain.

At Clinton, Oklahoma, disused  
air force hangars are bursting  
with surplus wheat. In Hen-  
ricks, Texas, old petrol tanks  
are filled with it.

In one Kansas small town, a  
cull-dee-see street has wheat  
stereos several feet deep on the  
road. Twenty-eight million  
bushels are stacked away in 125  
mural ships in the Hudson  
River, a few miles north of New  
York, and in the James River,  
near Richmond, Virginia.

## MORE COMING

It is estimated that, with a  
bumper 1954 crop coming  
up, Americans now own  
a sufficient surplus wheat to fill  
every living room in every house  
from New York to Hollywood  
from floor to ceiling.  
They also own enough cotton  
to fill every garage in the entire  
country so full there wouldn't

## IRGUN APPEAL

Tel-Aviv, Aug. 2.

In an appeal to the nation  
and the Government, the  
Israeli Haganah, the former  
Irgun Party, today called for  
action against Egypt and the  
liquidation of the Egyptian  
base in the Gaza strip, which  
is in Israeli territory.

The Party claimed that the  
Gaza strip, following the  
evacuation by Britain of the  
Suez Canal base, would be  
used as a bridgehead for  
Egyptian aggression against  
Israel.—France-Press.

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## Informers Are Paid Thousands A Year

New York, Aug. 2.

The Federal Government are  
becoming increasingly depen-  
dent on the paid informer,  
Government officials in  
Washington admit.

The officials say that "in a  
time of suspicion and distrust"  
a number of Government de-  
partments are relying on a  
"host of informers."

Some are paid, some unpaid,  
for tips or information about  
Communists, potential spies,  
drug peddlers, tax evaders and  
smugglers.

## MANY FORMER REDS

The New York Times says  
that perhaps the best-known  
group of informers are those  
operating in the anti-  
Communist campaign.

They comprise about "35 con-  
tractors," who serve with  
regularity, reporting in various  
Federal cases.

The names of these tipsters  
are not secret. Many of them  
are former Communists.

The Immigration Department  
have their own group, number-  
ing about 90. They receive  
compensation ranging from \$10  
to as much as \$12,000 a year.

## INCOME-TAX DODGERS

The Internal Revenue Service  
are supplied with a fund  
of nearly \$250,000 annually to  
pay informers who tell about  
income-tax dodgers.

In the past year the Com-  
missioner of Internal Revenue  
paid \$230,000 to 290 informers.  
Tipsters who tell about smug-  
glers get the highest money.  
The Customs Department have  
paid the limit of \$22,000 to in-  
dividuals on several occasions.

Oslo, Aug. 3.

A 25-lb. salmon jumped into  
the lap of an 80-year-old British  
fisherman, Mr. Culperth Brain-  
bridge, while he was fishing in  
the Namsen river, central  
Norway.

The fish slipped back into the  
water but a passerby caught it  
before it could swim off.—China  
Mail Special.

## New Air Link With The Gold Coast

London, Aug. 2.

A new Empire air service between London  
and Accra, capital of the Gold Coast, is a further  
recognition by business firms of the growing  
political and commercial importance of Britain's  
four West African colonies.

There are more than 40,000,000 people in the  
Gold Coast, Nigeria, Sierra Leone and the Gambia.

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politically advanced of all and  
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phenomenal cocoa boom which  
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000,000 sterling power and  
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The new weekly there-and-  
back Colonial "Coach" just  
started by two allied companies,  
Airwork and Hunting-Clan, in-  
creases the communications of  
Accra with Lagos (Nigeria), on  
one side, and with Freetown  
(Sierra Leone) and Bathurst  
(Gambia), on the other.

The new service is being  
operated at a world record cost  
of only fourpence per passenger  
mile.

## SADLERS WELLS

Airwork and Hunting-Clan  
specialise in all kinds of flying.  
It was they who "lifted" the  
Sadlers Wells Ballet Company  
and the Halle Orchestra from  
London to Bulawayo, Central  
Africa, for the Cecil Rhodes  
centenary. They are already  
well-known for their East  
African and Southern Rhodesian  
safari services.

The £80 sterling single fare  
on the new London-Accra run  
includes two night stops at  
first-class hotels. It is claimed  
that it is 25 per cent cheaper  
than the tourist class of the big  
corporations.

The latter take the shortest  
route from London via Tripoli  
to Kade, in Northern Nigeria.  
They cross 1,300 miles of the  
Libyan and Sahara deserts.  
The new safari hugs the coast  
of West Africa from the Straits

Air France, the French air  
line, is trying to popularise this  
wild country by flying people  
right to the spot.

For £500 three men can have  
a whole month's safari among  
elephants, hippopotamuses, buffalo  
and giraffe, with perhaps lions  
and ostriches as well. Every-  
thing is provided from a car  
with a chauffeur and fuel for  
950 miles to native bearers,  
guns, cartridges, food, and  
French wine.

## POSSIBILITIES

Although West Africa does  
not provide big game parades  
like Kenya, Tanganyika and  
Uganda, there are hunting  
possibilities in some places in  
the open jungle and scrub  
south-east of Lake Chad, in the  
Ubangi-Shari region of French  
Equatorial Africa, for example.

There are at present no  
photographic safaris such as are  
so popular in East Africa, just  
plain hunting.

## WIDE EXPERIENCE

Airwork and Hunting-Clan  
have had wide experience of a  
trooping service along the West  
African coast. They have  
thought out a new and interest-  
ing way of doing the journey  
between London and Accra. If  
it does not lure the kind of  
tourist who wants to  
dread up all the time and  
spend evenings in theatres or  
casinos, it will appeal to the  
connoisseur, the man who has  
travelled extensively and likes  
occasionally to see a little of  
the background to the everyday  
news.

The aircraft used on the route  
are 200 mile-an-hour Vikings,  
carrying 27 passengers and a  
crew of five. A service by the  
same operators to Hongkong  
and Singapore is under con-  
sideration. The aircraft in this  
case, however, would be the 230  
mile-an-hour four-engine  
Hermes, which carries 56  
passengers.

With the exception of a few  
remote island colonies in the  
South Atlantic and Indian  
oceans, all Britain's colonial  
territories are now linked with  
London by British air lines.

"Coach class" services are a  
Government licence concession  
to private firms competing with  
the big corporations.—China  
Mail Special.

## Lord Vivian Makes Statement

Devon, Aug. 3.  
Lord Vivian, 45-year-old  
London show producer, who is  
seriously ill in hospital here  
with a bullet wound in his  
stomach, was able to make a  
statement last night to do-  
cuments.

But his condition was still  
described as critical and a  
statement by the hospital said  
it was likely to remain critical  
for a week or two days.

Lord Vivian was taken to  
hospital on Sunday. He had  
been found wounded during the  
night outside Filigree Cottage  
in the one street village of  
Pittville, near here.

Lord Vivian was shot by  
James (Jimmy) James, who  
was arrested last night.

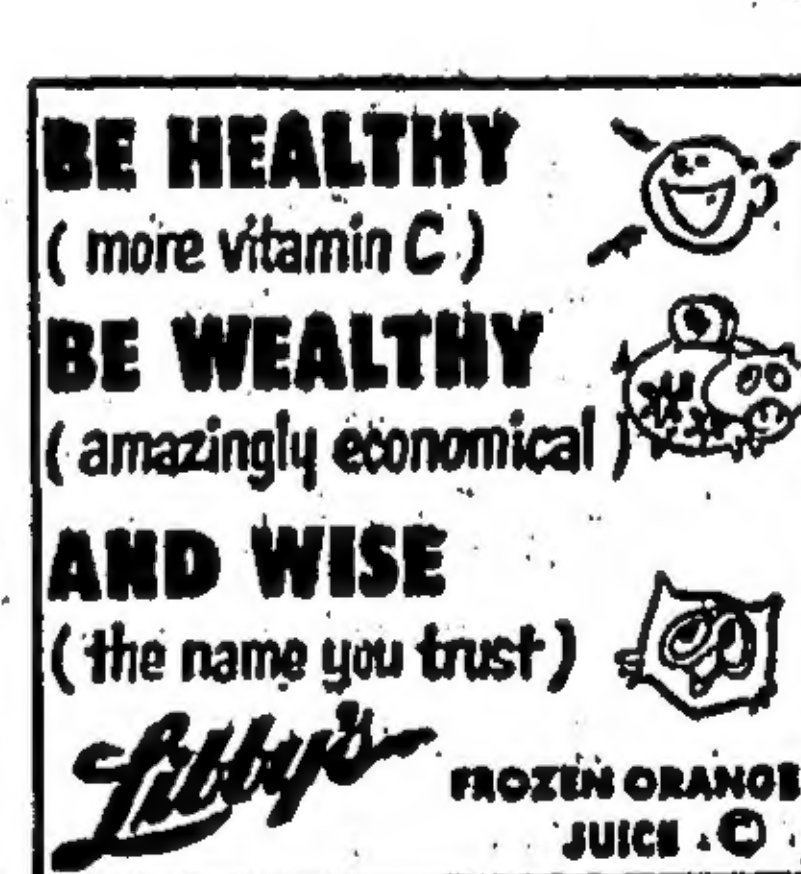
## MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



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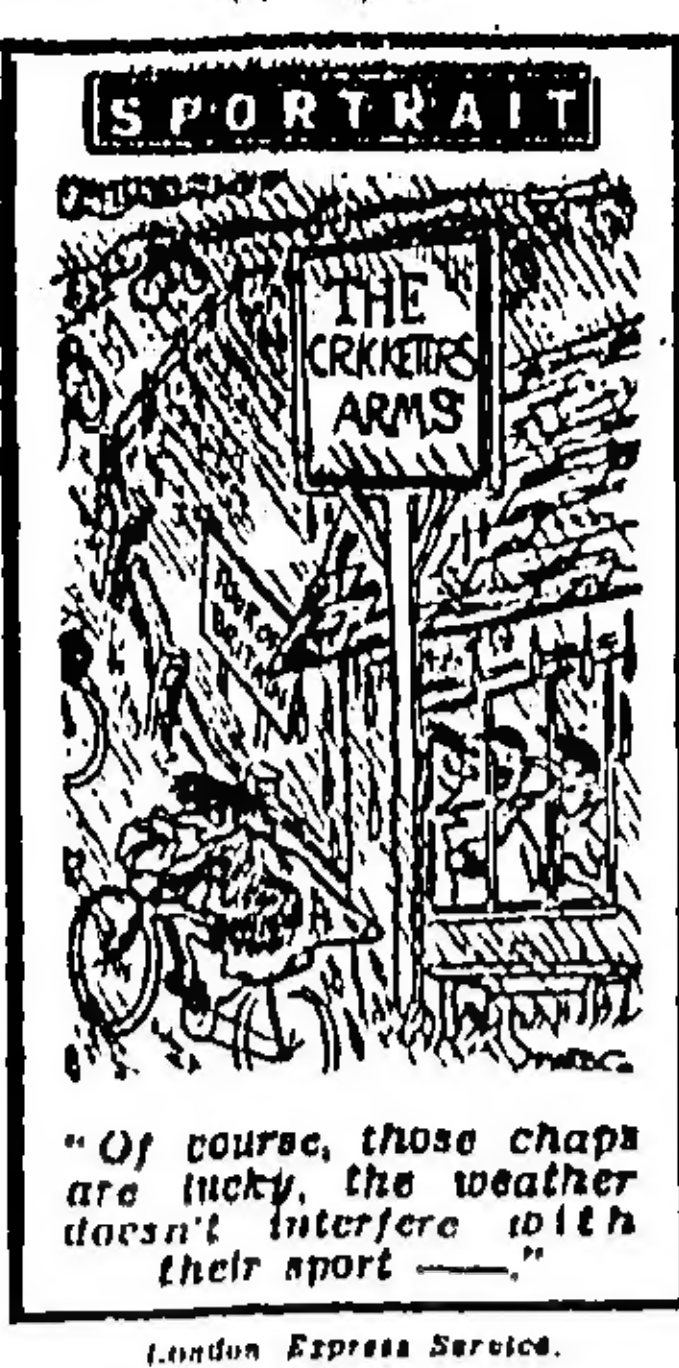
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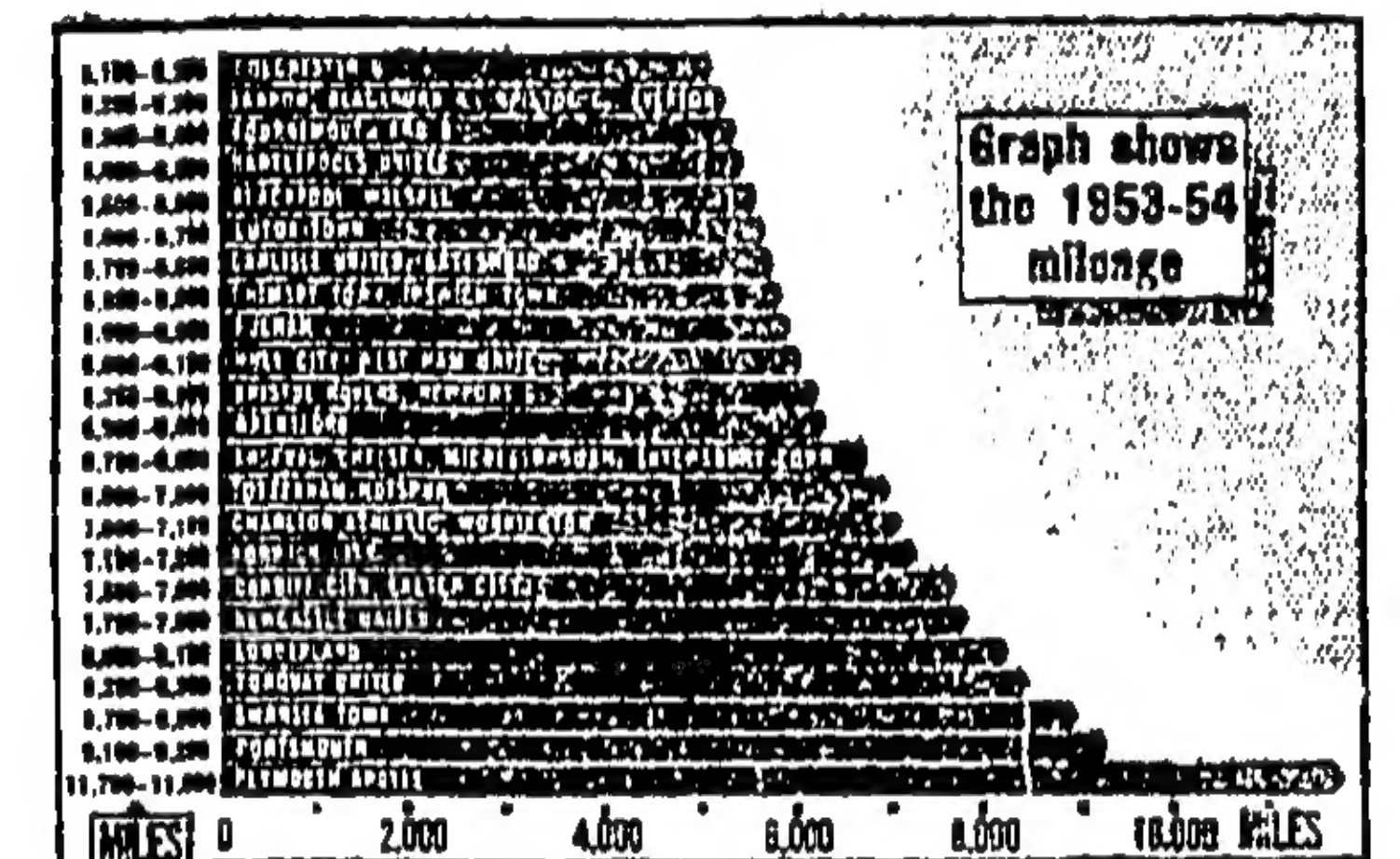
## Hongkong Team Continues In Winning Vein

Singapore, Aug. 2.—The visiting Kowloon Sports Club is continuing its winning streak in its tour of the Federation of Malaya. The team scored a 2-0 victory over the Negeri Sembilan State XI at Seremban town on Sunday.

Kowloon's inside left, Chu Wing-keung, opened the scoring for the visitors, and Ho Ying-fan put them further ahead, shortly before the interval. —United Press.

## Soccer Is No Joy-Ride For These Boys...

By SAM LEITCH



If there were Soccer medals for mileage they would go, season after season, to the travel-stained players of Plymouth Argyle (Or should it be Plymouth Wanderers?)

Second Division Plymouth are the Football League's top travellers with a mileage of 11,000. All that way just to play 31½ hours' football (plus, of course, any away Cup ties). Plymouth travel nearly four times as far as the least-travelled clubs, Bradford, Bradford City, Halifax, and Stockport (3,100 miles).

London clubs like Arsenal and Chelsea cover 6,800 miles. Above is a chart (based on the graph in the FA Year Book) showing clubs whose mileages top 5,000.

How much to Plymouth spend on "travelling during the season?" "A colossal amount," says manager Jimmy Rae. "The latest balance sheet isn't out yet, so we don't know the worst."

## HKAAA ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Association will be held this evening at the Conference Room, Education Department, commencing at 8 o'clock.

## WATER IS PRECIOUS USE IT WISELY



## CHEUNG KIN-MAN FIFTH IN 110 YARDS FREE STYLE FINAL

Vancouver, Aug. 2.—Cheung Kin-man of Hongkong finished fifth in the men's 110 Yards Free Style final in the British Empire and Commonwealth Games here today.

The event was won by Jon Hendricks of Australia in the new Games' record of 56.6 seconds. Cheung Kin-man's time was 59.9 seconds. Australians also took second and third places, with Cyrus Weld second in 58.5 seconds and Rex Aubrey third in 58.7 seconds. Fourth was George Parks of Canada in 59.1 seconds and sixth, Barrington Roper of Jamaica in 60.2 seconds.

Churning through the water with the grace, power and speed which earned him the title of "the human fish," Hendricks had a runaway win in spite of a self-confessed bad turn. He went straight into the lead and stayed there.

The crowd increased during the exciting trials. Shield headed the eight qualifiers for the quarter-finals. Others were Robert Fowler (South Africa), at the second fastest time of five minutes 10.8 seconds with Ronald Milton, another South African, third fastest with five minutes 12.2 seconds.

The remainder were Peter Brotherton (England), Bernard Pusey (England), Irl Rikie (New Zealand), Pat Murphy (Canada), and John Law (Australia).—Reuter.

Dark clouds cast shadows over Empire Village when the Empire Games were resumed here today. England having an unofficial points lead over the next team, Australia.

The clouds were accompanied by a cold rain, completely changing the scene from yesterday's brilliant sunshine. The clouds worried the cyclists, who thought rain might make racing impossible.

England, benefiting heavily from performances by her middle distance runners on Saturday, had a points total at today's resumption of 68, according to an unofficial tabulation, based on a distribution of 10, five, four, three, two and one point score for the first six finishers in each event. Australia had 47 and Canada was third with 34.

Early results came in the Lawn Tennis event when in the fifth round the Singles Alfred Thomas of Wales beat Jose G. Luz of Hongkong, 6-1, 6-2, 6-0. In the fourth round of the Doubles, Northern Ireland (Percy Watson and William Rosbotham) beat Hongkong (Eric Liddell and J. A. da Luz) 26-10.

Scotland (George Budget and John Curraway) beat England (Edwin Bateman and Tom Stewart).

Dull skies probably affected the attendance at the open air pool for the swimming today, only 2,000 being present at the start of the women's 110 Yards Back Stroke heats. And fewer than 50 people were present for the opening events in the cycling tournament.

## RECORDS FALL

Miss Joan Harrison, South Africa's Olympic Champion, set a new Empire Games record by winning her heat of the women's 110 Yards Back Stroke event when the Empire and Commonwealth Games swimming was continued here today.

Miss Harrison clocked one minute 10.1 seconds to beat the previous record of one minute 10.8 seconds set by Judy Joy Davies of Australia in 1950. The record was also broken by the next two in the heat, Leora Fisher (Canada), one minute 17.5 seconds, and Margaret McDowall, Scotland, one minute 18.2 seconds.

The second heat was won by Joan Stewart, New Zealand, also in the good time of one minute 10.9 seconds, which beat the old record. Second was Judith Symons, England, in one minute 11.0 seconds, and third Maureen Plickford, England.

All six qualified for the final. Miss Lorraine Crapp, 15-year-old world record breaker, gained Australia's second Gold Medal in swimming when she beat the final of the women's 110 Yards Free Style.

Swimming in a magnificent style, Miss Crapp overtook Virginia Grant, 17-year-old Canadian, in the last 20 yards to win by a foot.

A near capacity crowd of 6,000 cheered excitedly as the Canadian girl forced ahead, but Miss Crapp never became flustered and smoothly raced to a fine victory.

Miss Crapp won in the new Games record time of one minute 5.8 seconds. This beat the one minute 6.4 seconds established by Miss Grant in a heat on Saturday.

Miss Grant's time today was one minute 6.3 seconds. Miss Joan Harrison, South Africa's Olympic Champion, was third in one minute 8.2 seconds.

Seventeen-year-old Marion Roe, of New Zealand, was fourth; Maggi Petzer, 14-year-old South African, was fifth and Little Natalie Myburgh (South Africa) at 13 the youngest competitor in the Games, was sixth.

Jon Hendricks, 18-year-old Sydney student, gained another swimming medal for Australia when he won the men's 110 Yards Free Style final in the record time of 56.6 seconds.

This clipped three-tenths of a second off the record he set on Saturday.

Australia also took second and third places with Cyrus J. Weld, second in 58.5 seconds and Rex Aubrey third in 58.7 seconds.

Wrestlers, weightlifters, fencers and bowlers were also 19.3 seconds set by Cyril Cartwright (England) in Auckland in 1950. Brotherton returned 5 minutes 13.2 seconds.—Reuter.

A crowd of less than 50 saw the opening trials in the 4,000 Metres Pursuit Cycling Event, in which the Games record was twice broken by the English riders, Norman Shiell and Peter Brotherton.

Shiell returned five minutes 10.4 seconds to beat the previous track of five minutes 10.3 seconds set by Cyril Cartwright (England) in Auckland in 1950. Brotherton returned 5 minutes 13.2 seconds.—Reuter.

## One Up To The Old Girls Of Barnardo's

By GEORGE WHITING

Most of the robust young men and women of England in Vancouver this week to run, jump, swim, etc., in the Empire Games were seen off by admiring relatives.

Mother has been ironing shirts and piping a proud eye... Dad has sprung the odd liver as a prelude to throwing his weight about in the local... Little brothers have basked in reflected glory.

All very natural, all very proper. For are not these Empire Games a family affair?

But I know of one competitor for whom there was no gathering of an intimate clan, no family huddle, before the take-off. There are neither kith nor kin to care two hoots what happens when orphan Eunice Miller dives into the deep end for England, out there in British Columbia. Or do we count Dr. Barnardo as a blood relation?

## JUST FACTS

"Now, for goodness sake do not put anything sloppy about me in the paper," said Auburn-haired Eunice, as she swallowed orangeade and steadfastly refused meat at our modest lunch together.

Very well. No slop. Just facts. Eunice Miller never saw her father, just about remembers her mother, and thinks she was born at Forest Hill ("That's what it says on the birth certificate") 20 years ago. For the first six years of her life she lived in an orphanage at Liverpool, then was boarded out by Barnardo's with a foster-mother in Sussex. Next move, a boarding school at Blechley, and, finally, to Eggar's Grammar School, at Alton, Hants, till she was 17.

## FORBIDDING

I was prepared to sympathise, but the pale, pleasantly freckled face opposite began to look a little forbidding.

"There was nothing tough about it," she said. "Barnardo's gave me a wonderful education, helped me to matriculate, laid on everything a girl could wish for in the way of sport, and gave me a good start in life."

Sport, for the adolescent Eunice, included hockey, captaincy of the lawn tennis team, the winning of a badminton cup, and the breaking of school records for the long and high jumps. Pretty nearly everything, in fact—except swimming and diving.

## NO SWIMMER

Most divers I ever heard of began getting wet when they were about 10, but not the least remarkable thing about the Miller girl is that she had hardly ever heard of a high-



board or a spring-board until she was 21.

"I never even wanted to dive, and I knew nothing about those fantastic things divers do in the air," she told me. "But I like trying most things once, so I went along to the baths at Alford to see if there were a swimming coach on the premises."

There was—and he turned out to be Cyril Lorton. After one week I could swim the width of the bath, but Mr Lorton did not seem to be very enthusiastic. In fact he told me I was not likely to be any good at all as a swimmer. He advised me to try diving—and here I am."

Yes, there you are, Miss Miller—diving for England in the Empire Games in Vancouver and the European Championships in Turin. Within six months of that 1949 start, this determined young miss was finishing fourth in the National High Board Championships at Weston-super-Mare, and, if that is not diving precious near to glory, I'd like to know what is.

## GOLD MEDAL

In 1951 came a gold medal—this probably won't be the Southern Counties One Metre Springboard Championship. A year later a bit of heartbreak at Blackpool, where one measly point in the trials kept her out of the Olympic team for Helsinki.

"I finished third, but they picked the first, second, and third," she told me. "I accepted it as my unlucky day, and I could not even bring myself to go to the reception, where they were dishing out the medals. I expect I cried a little. I'm one of this weepy kind."

But there was no weeping this year. Our Eunice finished second in the ladies' Ann Lettice in the Blackpool trials—and was promptly told to get herself measured for kit for Vancouver and Turin. One up to the old girls (in that the right term) of Barnardo's!

## NON-SMOKER

To be tall, non-smoking, non-meat-eating, Miss Miller

stands 6ft. 2in., weighs nine stone, and wants to weigh 85. Glib. A trim and tidy little lady—but tough within.

There was that day when she broke three ribs hitting the bottom of the bath and that little when she landed flat on her back from 33 feet and just managed to swim "ashore" before passing out.

"There was also this," said Miss M. pointing diffidently to a bump among the freckles on her left elbow. She broke that left arm six weeks before the 1952 Olympic trials, when a small boy decided to take off from the side of the Wood Green bath at the precise moment that our Miss Miller was air-borne.

## FUNNY!

"This arm swelled up, but, very foolishly, I took the strap- ping off so that I could keep on diving," she said. "Funny thing, it was not until I went to Middlesex Hospital this year that I learned that the arm had been broken."

"Funny," she says. Nothing sloppier, she says. So we will pass quickly over the fact that, when she returns from Vancouver and Turin, Miss Miller will frequently be slipping out of the back door of the West End store wherein she lives and works as a clerk. To do what? To coach the crippled youngsters of Dr. Barnardo's down at Woodford, in Essex.

## LUCKY FELLOW

There is not much more I can say about Eunice Miller—except that she is still no great shakes as a swimmer ("A hundred yards would kill me"), that she does not know whether she can cook and that a young fellow called John could be lucky when he gets round to asking the old, old question.

These all round, I reckon Barnardo's did a pretty good job when they launched Miss Miller on the bathwaters of this world. Here's one who will be rooting for her out there in Vancouver.

—(London Express Service)

## MACAO GRAND PRIX DETAILS

Over the week-end the organising committee for the forthcoming motor races in Macao met together with their Hon. Adviser to finalise the plans for the meeting. The following details can be taken as authoritative and definite.

There will be two events, the first to be run on the afternoon of Saturday, October 30, and the second on the afternoon of Sunday, October 31.

Saturday's event is a Regularity Speed Trial for standard production cars, and will be run on the lines of the Elimination Trials used in the Monte Carlo and Lisbon Races.

In this event the driver makes a preliminary tour of the circuit, and then four more laps as fast as he can. The result is calculated per a formula which takes into consideration the differences between his 3rd, 4th and 5th laps and the time, and the difference between his preliminary lap and a theoretical figure established for his class by the organisers. To lose the minimum points and so gain a place, therefore, it is in the interest of the competitors to maintain not only a fast speed as they can but, more importantly, as constant a speed as possible.

The cars will start in small groups based on their classes, each car starting at 20 seconds interval from the next, and each batch of cars will finish their runs before the next group starts. The first group will start at 2.30 p.m., and it is expected that this event will terminate by 2.00 p.m. approx. The race will finish in any case 45 minutes after the last car has got away.

## FOUR HOURS

On Sunday, the big race will start at noon and will run for 4 hours. This event is for all types of cars which will be placed in one of five categories; the first, A, is for standard production cars conforming to the catalogue specification and completely unmodified; the second, B, is for sports cars and specials; the third, C, is for cars in the "B" class; the fourth, D, is for cars in the "C" class; the fifth, E, is for cars in the "D" class.

The Macao authorities are making every effort to ensure the success of the meeting and the whole affair is being conducted with the greatest enthusiasm and efficiency. The organising committee are faced with a tremendous task but are proceeding with that job in a most co-operative and selfless manner. The affair has aroused great local interest and in far-away Portugal they are discussing their plans with keenest interest. For the Hongkong motorist in particular, the Hongkong public in general, this first motor-race meet ever on the China coast holds out great promise in the way of sport and spectacular entertainment, and it is hoped that the whole-hearted support of her friendly neighbour.

The cars will also be divided in their categories into classes based on the cubic capacity of their engines and the classes conform to the Le Mans classification, i.e. 751-1000 cc., 1001-1500 cc., 1501-2000 cc., 2001-3000 cc., 3001 and over. The fitting of a supercharger adds 40% to the capacity.

The outright winner will be the car which completes the greatest distance in the time. There will be awards for the winning cars in each category and in each class, with prizes for the runners-up.

Entry forms for both events can be obtained in Macao, from the Chairman, Mr. Carlos A. de Almeida, 1101-1500 cc., 1501-2000 cc., 2001-3000 cc., 3001 and over. The fitting of a supercharger adds 40% to the capacity.

The entry for the G.P. is limited to 30 cars with 5 in reserve and HK entrants will be asked to confirm entries during the week September 25, to September 30, inclusive, for which the entry fee will be included and the reserves admitted in order of application.

The organisers are very conscious of the expense involved for HK entrants and efforts are being made to get the freight rate for cars still further reduced. It is anticipated that this will be successful. Hotel accommodation is being reserved and here again the personnel travelling with the cars will obtain special rates. The Motor Trade has very kindly offered to provide free service facilities during the race itself, and any spare parts that might be used will be charged at cost. It is hoped to arrange for 80 Octane fuel to be available to drivers. Altogether it is hoped that the original estimate of expenses will be reduced by 30 to 50 per cent.

Apart from the two chief events, there will be practices for the Grand Prix on Saturday 30, at 7.30-8.30 a.m., and

for one hour after the race in the afternoon. On Sunday 31, there will be a third and last practice from 8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. These practices alone are, as a rule, well worth seeing, and altogether visitors to Macao for the week-end will be well rewarded.

Arrangements have been made for the cars to go in batches on the Thursday and Friday boats and the will, in Macao, be stored under cover and guard until the drivers take them over.

It is hoped to run special races for spectators at special rates, and those hoping to go to Macao for the week-end are urged to watch for special announcements regarding this and other plans being made to enable as many people as possible here and in Macao to see these unique and thrilling races. Spectators will be admitted to the general area of the Guia Circuit for 50 cents, but there will be special areas covering points of interest which will be more expensive. Since the weather can reasonably be expected to be fine, the public are reminded that the whole of the area is most picturesque and ideal for picnicking. They are urged therefore to take lunch with them as entry to and from the course once the race has started will be restricted to one or two footbridges. Soft drink stands will cater for the thirsty ones.

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## Three Defeats For Hongkong Lawn Bowlers

Vancouver, Aug. 2.—Hongkong's Singles, and Doubles representatives were defeated in the sixth and seventh rounds of the lawn bowls event of the British Empire and Commonwealth Games here today.

In the sixth round Jose da Luz of Hongkong lost to Alfred Thomas of Wales 21-20 while Eric Liddell and Raoul da Luz of Hongkong went down to Northern Ireland's Percy Watson and William Rosbotham 26-16.

In the seventh round Arthur Saunders of South Africa beat Jose da Luz 21-10 while in the doubles South Africa beat Hongkong 23-10.

Other results were (seventh round):

## SINGLES

Robert Laing (Scotland) beat Jack Fairbairn (Northern Rhodesia) 21-16. Ralph Hodges (Southern Rhodesia) beat Alfred Thomas (Wales) 21-20. John Lintford (Canada) beat Glyn Bowditch (Australia) 21-16. James Pirret (New Zealand) beat Stanley Lees (England) 21-8.

## DOUBLES

Canada beat Australia 24-15. Scotland beat Northern Rhodesia 20-16. Northern Ireland beat Southern Rhodesia 19-13. New Zealand beat England 21-9.—Reuter.

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## MONEY TO BURN

BEHIND the curiously uncluttered counter of the travel-agency, Richard stood, waiting for customers to call. He stood, perforce, for there were no chairs or stools left in the office, no desks or tables or typewriters, no filing cabinets or wall-maps showing the way to the world's most pleasant places.

All had been shifted, the last of them that Saturday morning, to the firm's new premises. Richard had been left behind as a rear-guard.

Also in the bare office, Richard, a tall, good-looking, 23-year-old, day-dreamed that he was boss of the business, instead of a part-time £4 a week clerk.

### DAY-DREAMS

HE peeped the farther side of the counter with improbable, imaginary customers. A man, wanting to charter the Queen Mary for a cruise; a woman, booking air-tickets for the hundred for a round-the-world staff outing. Richard tried to work out in his head what his commission would be upon such enterprises.

He was interrupted in his day-dreams by two women who came in.

"Good morning," they said, "we've come to pay for our cruise ticket." And carefully they counted out the money—£200. Richard counted it again, made out a receipt, and bade his customers good day.

He put the money in the ink-jar of his worn, shiny suit.

Every so often, during the morning, Richard brought out and put back the money, enjoying the feel of the notes, pretending they were his, planning how he would spend them, if they were.

When the time came to close the office, Richard put the notes in his pocket again and made for the new office to hand them over.

On the way his resolution melted, and his strength of will evaporated. He decided to steal the £200. He marched into an outfitters and began to order for himself the kind of wardrobe he had often longed for.

### NEMESIS

IT was nearly a month before Richard was caught. By then all the £200 had gone, and he was working again, learning a trade in a factory on the outskirts of London, where his pay as a learner was £9 a week. Since he had no parents living, he lodged with friends, near his work.

After his arrest Richard was brought to London, and at the Great Marlborough Street court he pleaded guilty to stealing the £200. The judge told the story, and then Mr. Charles Morgan, the probation officer, went into the witness-box.

"This man tells me he spent £59 of the £200 on clothes," said Mr. Morgan. "The very things he is wearing he bought with some of the money." Everyone looked at Richard's smart, silver-buttoned blazer, the dark-grey flannels impeccably creased, the suede shoes. He had not spent the money on rubbish.

### FRIENDS IN NEED

"HIS friends have stood by him," Mr. Morgan went on, "and if he could have built for a week, to work out with these friends how he could best repay the money."

Bail was granted, and a week later Richard came back, with £7 that he offered as a first instalment towards repaying the debt. He was ordered to pay the balance at the rate of three pounds a week.

"You understand?" the magistrate asked. "Three pounds every week."

"Yes, sir," said Richard, and he marched out with a faint air of martyrdom, as a rich man might who has renounced wealth, yet cannot quite put out of mind the pleasures he had from his riches while they were his.

Replies to Correspondents: "A Dutchman in transit" in Hongkong. All letters must be signed. China Mail.

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## Mendes-France Faces Hostile Deputies Over Tunisia Proposal

Paris, Aug. 3.

A stiff fight for political survival faces France's fast-moving Prime Minister, M. Pierre Mendes-France, in the National Assembly this week as a result of his moves to give harmony to Tunisia.

Officially he only has to face critics for his new deal economic policy in a debate lasting from Thursday until dawn on Saturday. But in fact the powerful "Tunisia lobby", with members in all non-Communist parties, is considered certain to seek occasion to attack him and, if possible, overthrow him.

The Tunisia lobby is ferocious, hostile to the home rule granted by M. Mendes-France to Tunisia in his dramatic visit to the Bay of Tunis last Saturday. It represents all the last ditch French settlers in North Africa whose only policy is one of force to suppress nationalist aspirations.

The Tunisia lobby may have secret allies in the Popular Republican (Catholic) Party, who are officially committed to the same Liberal policy in Tunisia proclaimed by M. Mendes-France, but whose opposition to the Bourguiba leader, Georges Bidault, from office in the middle of the Geneva conference may lead them to put party hatred before party principles.

In France the big majority of the public is backing M. Mendes-France's home rule for Tunisia. But in North Africa in general and in Tunisia in particular, the French residents, whether Conservative landowners or Socialist small bureaucrats, are bitterly opposed to him and are out for the Premier's blood.

The new deal debate on Thursday and Friday concerns the special powers M. Mendes-France wants to introduce for a policy of expanding production, increased standards of living and independence from foreign subsidies. But if the Tunisia issue is injected into the debate or even forced on the Government before Thursday, the Premier will hesitate to make the final motion a vote of confidence.

### MAY SAVE HIM

This means that those voting against him will risk taking the responsibility of throwing him out of office at a time when his popularity in the country and abroad is running high.

This is the factor which may save him, despite the virulent feeling against him, generated within the Tunisia lobby. Many deputies have learned during the past weekend in their constituencies that M. Mendes-France is very popular in the country and this may make them hesitate to give full vent to their natural resentment against a man who has succeeded where for years others have consistently failed.

Apart from public opinion, the Premier will be helped in Tunisia with his reaction to Tunisia lobby by three factors.

One is the support and endorsement of his Tunisia home rule policy received from Marshal Alphonse Juin, France's number one soldier, who served in North Africa. Having persuaded Marshal Juin to go to Tunisia with him on Saturday will help the Premier to win his Parliamentary battle this week.

### SECOND FACTOR

The second factor is that his revolutionary declaration in favour of home rule on Saturday has changed the atmosphere in Tunisia overnight. All newspapers there are praising the Premier and the extremist nationalist leader, Habib Bourguiba, has made an official appeal to end terrorism and called for a "general cease-fire" in the North African Protectorate.

The third factor in favour of the Premier's chances of survival in Parliament this week is that his dramatic visit to Tunis has already produced a positive response from Tunisian Nationalist politicians.

Yesterday, within 48 hours of M. Mendes-France's home rule declaration, the Boy succeeded in nominating a leading Nationalist politician as the new Premier. This was Tahar Ben Ammi, President of the Chamber of Agriculture, a moderate Nationalist who enjoys the confidence of the more extreme Neo-Destour independence movement and who will, no doubt, constitute his Cabinet within the next few days, including at least four members of the Nationalist Neo-Destour movement.

M. Mendes-France will therefore have some effective weapons in his possession when he faces the blood-thirsty Tunisia lobby later this week.

### DECISIVE STAGE

Meanwhile Mongi Slim, head of the Neo-Destour political bureau, has arrived in Paris by air from Tunis. He said he was going to talk to Habib Bourguiba at present living in a country house near Montargis, in central France, in exile.

It was thought he would seek Bourguiba's approval for Neo-Destour participation in the new Tunisian government.

The Boy, in an appeal for calm and order yesterday, said acts of violence would be considered "a grave infringement of the higher interests of our kingdom."

Tunisia was facing a decisive stage in its international life and its people must unite to build a better future, he said. They could do so only under conditions of "peace, order and security."

He praised M. Mendes-France as an "illustrious statesman" and said history would honour France for her gesture of recognition of the legitimacy of Tunisian aspirations.—Reuter.

## Correspondents Reply To HK Government

At a special meeting of voting members last Saturday, the Foreign Correspondents' Club, Hongkong, unanimously approved a motion and directed the President to transmit it to the Colonial Secretary, the Hon. C. B. Burgess.

Following is the motion: "We take note of, but do not agree with, the Government's answer contained in Items One and Two (in Government's reply to the Club's resolution of protest on July 28, 1954). Regarding Item Two, the Club membership feels that specific incidents only reflect the general policy of the Government and it is therefore unfair to single out individuals and offices for particular criticisms.

"Concerning Item Three, we are opposed to such a principle of operation. We feel that when such drastic measures, as were imposed during the Ceylon Pacific plane disaster, are deemed necessary, they should be imposed only after an emergency has been proclaimed and proper and effective controls set up.

"Regarding Item Four, the membership is glad the Hongkong Government assures the press and the public that it will not interfere with press freedom in the future."

Following was the Government's reply to the protest of July 28:

1. The general allegation in the Foreign Correspondents' Club's resolution of July 28 concerning protest about handling of news during the plane tragedy are denied by the Government.

2. As to particular accusations, government is willing to investigate on presentation of detail.

3. Under the principle applied by the Hongkong government it is sometimes necessary for the government to get information first and to satisfy itself as to what the true facts are. Other things being equal, government does not restrict the press.

4. The government does not interfere with the freedom of the press and will not do so in the future with the exception of the above cases.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Aunt Kate always arranges the seating at reunions—she knows which ones of the family are mad at each other!"

## DISEASE THREAT TO PERSIAN FLOOD VICTIMS

Teheran, Aug. 2.

With the unabated overflowing of the waters of the White River in north-west Ghazvine today, new dangers were threatening the lives of more than 12,000 persons.

A bright sun and hot weather has started to decay the bodies of victims floating on the river and caught in the mud. Army units have been put into action to help speed their burial.

In the Sirvan area the appearances of vultures and hyenas and reports of two leopards have increased the population's terror following the deluge.

The peasants were frightened when the river bed began to move and heavy stones thrown together gave off bright sparks. Water sources have been polluted and medical supplies are short.

### DEATH ROLL HIGHER

People were left homeless by floods which covered vast areas of Persia, East Pakistan and north-west India and threatened China, according to Reuter dispatches reaching London.

The death toll in the flooded Ghazvin area, about 60 miles north-west of Teheran, rose hourly from this morning's known total of 180.

Some Persian families had been marooned for 48 hours when rescue parties crossed the subsiding floodwaters to reach them today.

The floods affected the capital's electricity generators and most of Teheran was in darkness last night.

Outbreaks of cholera and malaria were reported in parts of northern Bihar State, north-west India, where the overflowing rivers have made about 50,000 people homeless.

### CROPS DAMAGED

The River Brahmaputra and its tributaries have flooded huge areas in East Pakistan, including low lying areas of Dacca, the capital, which has a population of 411,000. The city's fruit market has been swept away.

Auto and peddy crops have been extensively damaged in the badly hit northern part of the province. Boats rescued marooned people from the flooded town of Nymensingh and the East Bengal Government has sent food and medical supplies to the area.—Reuter & United Press.

## HK Professor In America

San Francisco, Aug. 2. Dr. A. J. McFadden, Professor of Medicine at the Hongkong University, arrived here today for a visit to United States medical centres and universities with American doctors.

He will discuss the specialty of infectious diseases of the East at the conference.

## Chief Justice Refuses Applications By Francis Bailey

After listening for almost an hour to a personal application by Francis Albert Bailey for orders of certiorari and mandamus the Acting Chief Justice, Mr Justice T. J. Gould declared this morning that contrary to the practice of the Supreme Court he had heard Bailey without representation by Counsel in order to disabuse Bailey's belief that the hand of every man was against him.

His Lordship remarked that Mr Bailey appeared to have had some form of legal training up to a point but did not appear to have the remotest idea of the purpose of the certiorari order he was seeking. This bore out the saying "A little learning is a dangerous thing," added the Chief Justice, who refused both applications.

Mr Bailey asked for an order of certiorari to remove the libel charges preferred against him at Central Magistracy, last month concerning alleged defamatory statements made against the solicitors, Mr Peter Sin, Mr Y. H. Chan, and a merchant, Mr S. K. Yee.

He also asked for an order of mandamus against the Commissioner of Police "to do his duty which is to apprehend and prosecute Messrs Sin, Chan and Yee for their criminal acts."

### SIMPLE REASONS

Mr Bailey said that his applications were based on very simple reasons, the main one being that there was no reason why the Police should prosecute him only and refuse to take action against those who had caused him to suffer from their criminal acts.

He based his application regarding certiorari on the ground that the libel proceedings against him had not been taken in law. "I say they have been taken for wrongful reasons and not for any proper purpose," he said.

Mr Justice Gould told him that if this was his view and if the prosecution failed then he could sue for malicious prosecution, but it had nothing to do with the present application.

The Judge wanted to know why the charge was bad.

Mr Bailey said it was a bad charge because the occasion was privileged. Before he published any such alleged defamatory libel he had approached the Police in respect of criminal acts he had suffered. From October, 1953, to the end of April this year, he had been asking the Police continuously to do something about these acts but the Police had refused to do anything. They took a very long 68-page statement from him.

### MIGHT BE DEFENCE

Mr Justice Gould said that the question of privilege might be a defence but it did not affect the validity of the charges.

Continuing, Mr Bailey said that it was a bad charge also because the statements were made in discharge of a legal duty. He had suffered acts which amounted to felonies by Messrs Gln. Yee and Chan and not wishing to become an accessory after the fact he published the alleged defamatory libel with the intention that these matters would be disclosed.

"If the Police chose not to help me I see no reason why I should suffer. Before I did that I did endeavour to get the Police to help me," he contended.

He claimed that the Police had never denied the truth of his 68-page statement, wherein he had set out various criminal acts he had been caused to suffer. Nor had the Police taken action against him for making a false report. This was because his charges were true.

### NO EFFECT

His Lordship remarked that the truth of his charges had nothing to do with the libel. If they were true, as he claimed, then it might be a good defence, but it did not affect the question of whether the libel charges were bad or not.

Mr Bailey: "On the one hand the Police admit the truth of it and on the other hand they accuse me of publishing false and defamatory statements."

The Court: "It is Messrs Sin, Yee and Chan who are the accused parties, and not you."

Quoting some law books Mr Bailey said he understood that criminal libel prosecutions were made only where the aggrieved party was a public figure and these libellous statements affected the performance of his public duty. The argument between Peter Sin and himself could only be considered a personal squabble, which the authorities said could not be the subject of an indictment.

### MIGHT BE DEFENCE

Reading more authorities, Mr Bailey declared "I have never said anything in respect of Peter Sin's duties as a Magistrate. I say that any such alleged defamatory libels did not affect Peter Sin's performance of his judicial duties. He carried on with his judicial duties for some three months before this Prosecution was started."

The Chief Justice once more told Mr Bailey that this might be a defence but was not a matter in his Court.

Coming to his second application for an order of mandamus against the Police, Mr Bailey said if the Police took action for any criminal act then they should take action against those who had committed criminal wrongs against him.

He pointed out that the Director of Criminal Investigation had not even answered a letter of one of his many letters asking whether they had investigated his statement. In his 68-page statement he had disclosed many criminal acts, among them perjury by S. K. Yee whereby he (Bailey) was defrauded of a substantial sum of money.

Mr Bailey said that there was no valid reason why these people were not prosecuted for criminal acts.

Mr Justice Gould pointed out that according to the affidavit the Police had taken some 200 photostatic copies of documents and this might indicate that they had investigated the matter.

Mr Bailey replied that he had often wondered why they did that for they had refused to do anything to arrange these documents in their correct order and to identify them with portions of his statement so as to make sense.

### EVERYONE AGAINST YOU

The Acting Chief Justice said: "I have listened to you today and before in another application of the same type. You have also issued a number of applications of this sort."

"There is a considerable implication as to the mass of papers you have filed that you think the hand of every man is against you."

"In order to show you that so far as this Court is concerned that is not so, I have listened to you. But I want to tell you that it is contrary to the practice of the Supreme Court to hear motions of this kind except by Counsel. So it is clear you have been granted an indulgence on more than one occasion in this matter."

"As to your present application for an order of certiorari it makes very manifest the truth of the old saying 'A little learning is a dangerous thing.' You have had apparently some form of legal training, I don't know what it is but you seem to be able to make out your documents up to a point in legal form, but you don't appear to have the remotest idea of what is the purpose of an order of certiorari."

"The motion is on the ground that the charges against you were bad. What you have asked before the Court is a matter which can only be used in your defence. If at all, the charges are perfectly good and valid charges. Therefore you will lose them in the Court."

He provided for this purpose that there is absolutely no question of a defence being put forward by you in this Court.

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pertinence of you to bring it before this Court because you have already brought one in a very similar form and it was refused. It has been pointed out to you before that there are civil remedies if, as you allege, you have been defrauded.

"All you have to do is to issue a writ formulating your claim and specifying your damages and no one can prevent you from filing your writ and taking action for damages. This applies to the original jurisdiction action even though it was taken to appeal; if as you allege, you have been defrauded, you may sue to set the judgment aside."

"You have also been told that you have the right, if you can swear to facts which constitute a valid charge against any of the people you say you are aggrieved by, to obtain a summons, or at the discretion of the Magistrate, in some circumstances, a warrant, to initiate proceedings on that ground."

"LACK OF ADVICE. It may be that you are suffering from a lack of good advice on this matter but if that is so you have only to examine the surrounding circumstances to see why that is."

"If the applications you say you are making to the Magistrate are as vague and indefinite as the matter you put before this Court I don't wonder that you have some difficulty in obtaining what you require. You should swear to facts amounting to a specific charge, as many charges as you desire, but not allegations in a mass of vague allegations."

Refusing both applications his Lordship reminded Bailey of the usual practice of the Supreme Court and said: "If you continue the application, in this form and on these lines which are virtually an abuse of the process of this Court, the Court will take the attitude in future that you must be represented by Counsel."

## 'Time' Director Here On Visit

Mr. Edgar R. Baker, managing director of Time-Life International, arrived from Tokyo by Pan-American Airways plane this morning accompanied by Mrs. Baker and their four-day visit to the Colony.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker are on a business-cum-pleasure world tour. Included in their itinerary are Bali and Kashmir.

Mrs. Alice Baker is an associate editor of the Democratic Digest, a monthly official publication of the Democratic National Committee in the United States.

The visitors were met at the airport by Mr. John M. Mecklin, Times correspondent in Hongkong.

## Radio Hongkong

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